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SELECTMEN, TREASURER,

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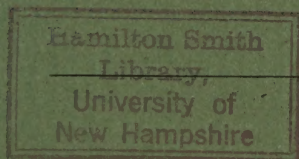
Superintending School Committee

OF THE TOWN OF

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FOR THE YEAR ENDING

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## SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

### VALUATION.

Taxable polls,	220	\$22,000 00
“ land and buildings,		463,514 00
“ Horses,	263	13,469 00
“ Oxen,	52	3,083 00
“ Cows,	687	22,271 00
“ Other neat stock,	56	880 00
“ Sheep,	53	192 00
“ Carriages,	46	2335 00
“ Money on hand, at interest, or on deposit,		10,740 00
“ Stock in trade,		3,900 00
“ Mills and machinery,		2,848 00
“ Stock in banks,		2,300 00
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		\$54,7432 00

### APPROPRIATIONS.

For town expenditures,	\$2500 00
School money by law,	990 50
Extra school money in Dist. No. 1,	50 00
State, County, Town and School tax, \$6 50 on a thousand.	
Highway tax, 25 cents on \$100.	



## ACCOUNT OF SELECTMEN.

For the year ending March 1, 1885,

Amount of money committed to John S. Hobbs, Collector, for all purposes,	\$3577 91
Dog tax,	41 00
Non-resident highway tax,	150 00
Raised by law for schools,	\$990 50
Extra school money for Dist. No. 1,	48 24
Received from State Treasurer, Savings Bank tax,	930 20
“ Railroad tax,	77 35
“ Literary Fund,	58 80
“ Bounty on woodchucks,	47 00
County Treasurer, account of paupers,	58 43
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	\$4940 69

## ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Paid Thomas J. Knowles,	\$32 50
Cyrus Fogg,	10 00
Payson H. Marston,	3 33
George O. Moulton,	2 50
George A. Boynton,	11 24
O. J. Moulton,	2 50
Henry Jenness,	8 65
O. B. Leavitt,	13 99
Ira J. Taylor,	5 00
Alvin C. Brown,	9 40
Nathan Brown,	4 00
Lovell Clapp,	2 58
Abram C. Dow,	10 93
Cyrus Fogg,	13 24

George A. Page,	4 35
Alvin C. Brown,	15 81
Abram C. Dow,	1 51
Cyrus Fogg,	3 50
George D. Brown,	6 10
George A. Page,	12 00
Simon H. Leavitt,	29 50
Samuel F. French,	18 50
Morris Locke,	10 34
John E. Smith,	2 00
Eben H. Dalton,	25 00
James W. Burton,	3 00
James W. Burton,	6 00
Otis S. Brown,	4 50
Charles C. Burton, for 1883,	70 69
Charles C. Burton,	5 00
Charles L. Burton,	6 33
Morris H. Moulton,	3 64
Orice J. Moulton,	2 75
Henry S. Marston,	7 08
George O. Moulton,	3 33
Jonathan D. Moulton,	2 48
Oliver B. Fogg,	9 25
Otis S. Brown,	59 25
Alfred L. Marston,	2 50
David J. Lamprey,	30 71
Thomas E. Marston,	4 15
Toppan Leavitt,	6 16
Samuel F. French,	14 86
Eben L. Dalton,	30 00
Frank A. Marston,	2 00
Horace S. Brown,	13 27
Samuel F. French,	38 00
W. H. Philbrook,	8 50
George A. Page,	11 14
Josepn B. Jenness,	7 75
Toppan Leavitt,	2 08
James Marden,	8 65
E. H. Dalton,	26 79

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 \$648 33

## DISCOUNT.

Paid Collector,	\$110 28
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## COUNTY PAUPERS.

Paid Thomas E. Marston, wood for Mrs. Mowe,	\$3 50
John W. Hobbs, car fare for tramps,	35
Sarah J. Rand, board for John Smith,	32 00
John W. Hobbs, groceries for Mrs. Mowe,	12 70
S. A. Dow, " "	1 58
Henry Riley, meat "	6 30
John Whannel, sawing wood "	2 00
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	\$58 43

## ABATEMENTS.

Paid Christopher V. Knowles, poll tax,	67
John S. Hobbs, J. C. Garland, poll tax, H. O.	
Jenness, dog tax, M. E. Ames, error on real estate,	2 39
Edwin Jenness, on horse for 1883,	25
David J. Lamprey, dog tax,	1 00
Nathan Brown, poll tax,	67
John Brown, " "	65
Frank A. Marston, dog tax, for 1883,	1 00
Toppan Leavitt, horse and dog, for 1882,	1 36
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	\$7 99

## NOTES AND INTEREST.

Paid John S. Hobbs, interest on note,	\$20 00
Eben L. Dalton, " "	60 00
George D. Cotton, " "	40 00
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	\$120 00



## MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid Pepperell Frost, public watering place,	\$3 00
Frank P. Brown, making guide boards,	2 00
Mercer Goodrich, stationery,	4 29
James H. Batchelder, pamphlet laws,	1 00
John W. Warner, bell wheel and turnstile,	7 75
Eben L. Dalton, going to Concord and car fare,	4 90
Thomas E. Marston, refreshments,	2 00
Eben L. Dalton, stationery,	3 75
John F. French, watering place,	\$3 00
Eben L. Dalton, refreshments,	1 50
Eben L. Dalton, horse hire,	3 50
John W. Hobbs, refreshments and horse baiting,	20 15
John S. Hobbs, printing tax bills,	1 50
Henry Riley, sheep killed by dogs,	15 00
David J. Lamprey, watering place,	3 00
J. W. Odell, births and deaths, •	1 75
John W. Berry, watering place,	3 00
J. D. P. Wingate, printing town accounts, 1883,	13 50
J. A. Cline & Co., three maps of New Hampshire,	22 50
W. T. Merrill, births and deaths,	2 25
S. D. Page, wood for Town Hall,	5 50
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	\$127 84

## SCHOOLS.

District No. 1, J. W. F. Hobbs,	\$643 30
Extra, " "	50 00
District No. 2, Stephen B. Tarlton,	401 50
Charles D. Garland, (Garland tax,)	4 50
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	\$1099 30

## CEMETERY.

Paid Richard Taylor, carting posts,	\$25 25
Stephen B. Tarlton, making two gates and other blacksmith work,	50 76
M. H. Smith, freight on chain,	1 60
G. E. Taylor, carting stone,	2 10
John W. Hobbs, labor at cemetery,	21 70
Eben H. Dalton, opening two graves,	4 00
Cyrus Fogg, labor,	9 00
James W. Brown, labor on wall,	99 74
Charles E. Seavey, blacksmith work,	3 47
Morris Locke, labor at cemetery,	5 00
William Whennell, repairing stump puller,	2 50
Locke & Tarlton, making five gates,	87 50
Cyrus Fogg, stone posts and labor,	158 25
Dodge, Gilbert & Co., chain,	166 41
Eben L. Dalton, labor,	4 50
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	\$641 78

## SEA WALL.

Paid George S. Marshall, labor,	\$56 87
David A. Marston, "	38 50
George E. Blake, "	40 25
Simon B. Dow, "	32 00
E. G. Perkins, "	32 00
Emmons T. Brown, "	28 67
Moses C. Garland, "	30 00
Abbott Norris, powder and fuse,	1 75
Eben L. Dalton, horse hire, lumber, iron, and cash paid out,	40 55
Eben L. Dalton, for labor of C. H. Knowles, C. J. Dalton, and S. D. Perkins,	35 00
Eben L. Dalton, board of Mr. Marshall,	11 50
John H. Brown, labor,	2 00
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	\$349 09

## OFFICIAL.

Paid Charles A. Watson, Supervisor and blanks,	\$7 90
Eben L. Dalton, going to Portsmouth to settle	
County bills,	2 00
T. V. Haines, Supt. School Committee,	15 00
Jonathan Rollins, Town Treasurer,	10 00
Jonathan Rollins, Town Clerk,	20 00
John S. Hobbs, Collector and Constable,	44 00
John W. Hobbs, Selectman,	36 00
Eben L. Dalton,       “	28 00
Thomas E. Marston, “	27 00
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	\$189 90

EBEN L. DALTON,        )  
JOHN W. HOBBS,        )  
THOMAS E. MARSTON,    ) Selectmen  
  of  
  No. Hampton.

North Hampton, March, 1885.



## TREASURER'S REPORT.

Received from Treasurer for 1883,	\$616 71
Collector,     “	83 03
for lots in cemetery,	70 00
Railroad tax,	77 35
Savings bank tax,	930 20
Literary fund,	58 80
Bounty on woodchucks,	46 80
Collector of taxes,	3618 91
Non-residents highway tax,	150 00
Interest on deposit,	13 68
County for paupers,	58 43
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	\$5723 91
Amount of Selectmen's orders,	\$3396 59
County tax,	787 25
State tax,	1132 00
Cash on hand,	408 07
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	\$5723 91

JONATHAN ROLLINS, Treasurer.

## AUDITORS' REPORT

We, the undersigned, having examined the books and accounts of Selectmen and Treasurer, find them correctly cast with proper vouchers. We also find that the town indebtedness is as follows :

Notes held by sundry persons,	\$2900 00
Interest due on the same,	55 00
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	\$2955 00
Cash on hand in treasury,	408 07
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Leaving a balance of	\$2546 93

H. B. LAMPREY,	} Auditors.
J. P. ROBINSON,	
C. E. SEAVEY,	

## SCHOOL REPORT.

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Although this is an age in which education in the higher departments is growing more and more specific and technical according to the taste and ambition of the pupil, yet the fundamental principles must always be the same, and of necessity the work of our common schools. In these schools must be laid the sure foundation on which all the pillars of the grand temple of Knowledge can rest. So the work done in them is both important and enduring. Hence we cannot too carefully nurture them, or too earnestly advocate their liberal support. The plan with these schools is to make the fundamental principles as comprehensive and thorough as possible since the majority of our scholars do not seek higher educational advantages. During the past year something has been accomplished in that direction which your Committee is pleased to report.

### DISTRICT NO. 1.

#### CENTRE.

J. W. F. Hobbs, J. F. French, B. O. Leavitt, Committee.

The Grammar school was taught by Mr. D. H. Lamberton of Claremont, who came highly recommended and went to work with a purpose to succeed. He has shown commendable tact, energy and devotion. His methods although somewhat new to the scholars, were not unwise. His manners were

cool, his discipline precise, and his teaching inductive. He impressed upon his pupils the important fact that their business in the school-room should be to learn. With a new teacher several weeks were necessarily initiatory, but after that period the work went on with much exactness and profit. Thoroughness was a binding rule. Perhaps sometimes there was too much austerity to effect the fullest and best development of the scholars, but they soon saw that it was well intended. Good proficiency was made in all the studies. Occasional exercises outside the usual routine were highly profitable. More than the text book was taught. The scholars were led to inquire for the reason of things and in so doing would often correct their own mistakes. The examination was prolonged, thorough, and highly satisfactory; if the scholars would longer remain in this school, more studies of a higher grade might be introduced.

The Primary school was taught by Miss Nellie F. Drake, whose first effort as a teacher has been one of which she need not be ashamed. To amiability was added energy, while patience combined with firmness secured good results. Her moral influence has been savory, and her interest in the highest welfare of the children constant. A good degree of enthusiasm was awakened among the scholars, and decided proficiency made. On account of the severe cold and sickness among the scholars, the average attendance during the winter term was small, but in the summer and fall it was good. It is no ordinary work to care for and instruct young scholars. But few appreciate the labor put forth in this school, since it is necessarily less conspicuous than with larger scholars. Work here is truly seed sowing, and coming years will show that the efforts are not lost.

It is hoped that this district will continue to raise a considerable sum of money for school purposes more than the law requires.



## DISTRICT NO. 2.

## EAST.

Stephen B. Tarlton, Committee.

The summer and fall terms of this school were taught by Miss S. D. Curtiss of Hampton Falls, whose merits as a teacher were mentioned in the report of last year. Her gentleness, faithfulness and tact secured good results. The scholars were taught to be respectful and frank in their manners, as well as to be diligent in their work. The relation between teacher and scholars seemed very happy. The examination was creditable and the number of citizens present at that time indicated something of the interest felt by the parents.

The winter term was taught by Mr. L. W. Fogg, whose labors as a teacher in town for six previous years have proved that he is "a workman that needeth not to be ashamed." Having had special training for his work, and being deeply interested in it, together with his long experience, he accomplished what was justly expected of him, viz., to enthuse at least a portion of his scholars with a high sense of honor, with some realization of their obligations, and with a purpose to learn. Although this is an ungraded school, yet several of the higher studies were pursued to advantage. On account of sickness among the scholars the average attendance was small. The most of the scholars who attended during the year were young, yet in the winter term a few older boys of the district came. The school-room is pleasant and well furnished, a fine toned cabinet organ having been purchased during the year. All that seems to be wanting is more black-board and a clock.

It certainly will be for the advantage of this district to employ the same teacher throughout the year.

## STATISTICAL TABLE.

	Dist. No. 1.		No. 2.
Money raised by law,	\$608	02	\$377 98
Literary Fund,	35	28	23 52
Money raised above what law requires	50	00	
Amount for each District,	\$693 30		\$401 50
	Gram. Sch'l	Prim. Sch'l	
Wages of Male Teachers per month,	\$50 00		\$50 00
“ Female “ “		\$25 00	\$30 00
Number of weeks taught in Summer,	8	8	10
“ “ Autumn,	11	11	10
“ “ Winter,	12	12	14
Number of Scholars in Summer,	34	36	21
“ Autumn,	31	39	25
“ Winter,	37	27	26
Average Attendance in Summer,	30	27	18
“ Autumn,	28	33	21
“ Winter,	29	17	18
Number of Scholars in Reading,	41	39	26
“ Spelling,	41	39	26
“ Penmanship,	41	32	24
“ Arithmetic,	41	29	26
“ Geography,	35	24	20
“ Grammar,	26		20
“ History,			2
“ Physiology,	10		7
“ Algebra,	3		3
“ Philosophy,			2
No. of Scholars on the Roll of Honor,	17	8	7
No. of Visits by Citizens,	82	77	37
“ District Committee,	8	1	
“ Superintendent,	12	8	8

## GENERAL REMARKS.

The Committee believes that a good year's work has been accomplished in our schools. The teachers have been competent and devoted, some degree of interest has been manifested by the parents, and some needed helps in instruction have been provided. The Committee, acting with the Selectmen, agreeably to a provision in the school laws, has put a large wall map of the State into each of the schools.

A change of text-books in physiology has been made to comply with an act of the last Legislature on that subject. A book of reference and occasional instruction on "Manners" has been introduced, although in District No. 1 the scholars did not take to it so kindly as in District No. 2. This is a subject which should be regarded as important in our schools. The children may find much to learn from it.

If the scholars of our schools can be taught to think for themselves, if they are early required to apply the principles which are taught, and if they are led to see that the work of the schoolroom is only preparatory to the broader education of the world, and, above all, if they are made to feel that virtue and righteousness, even godliness, must underlie and form a part of all true education, then, because of the present superior educational advantages, the next generation may be better and more efficient than those who now precede them.

With these observations, suggestions and statistics the Committee lays down the duties which THE TOWN VOTED TO ANOTHER.

T. V. HAINES,

Superintending School Committee.

North Hampton, March, 1885.









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